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**REMARKS**

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2006, in which claims 1-21 were subject to a restriction requirement. Applicant has required to elect one of five Species and to list all claims readable on that Species.

With this response, Applicant elects Species II. Claims 1-14 read on Species II. Claims 1-6 are generic to all five disclosed Species.

With this Amendment, independent claims 1 and 7 have been amended to clarify that the encapsulant is comprised of a self assembled monolayer covering a surface of a component (claim 1) or the slider body (claim 7).

Independent claim 15 has been amended to depend from independent claim 1. Upon a finding that claim 1 is patentable, claims 15-21 should also be allowable.

Respectfully submitted,

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